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Briefs

November 11: Area-wide Recycling Day
 The Albemarle Environmental Association is organizing a mini-recycling center on Nov. 11 at Ward's Shopping Center, Hwy. 17 opposite Hardee's in Hertford.
 Cash will be paid to anyone who brings items to be recycled between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Materials that will be accepted for payment include glass, all colors; hard plastic, such as milk jugs, soda bottles and detergent or oil containers; metals, including aluminum cans or foil, brass and copper; car batteries and radiators. Tin, cardboard and all kinds of paper will be accepted without payment. Best payment is received if articles are sorted generally by type (plastic, glass, metal, paper).
 Area residents are urged to participate in this recycling event. Recent statistics show that if individuals support a recycling movement, more than 50 percent of materials currently being deposited in the landfill can be recycled. This savings of landfill space translates directly into savings in tax dollars. For more information, call 426-9563.

Shipyard anticipates large hiring increase soon
 Newport News Shipyard anticipates an extensive increase in hiring during the next year due primarily to beginning overhaul of the Carrier Enterprise. All hiring is done through the Virginia Employment Security Commission. The North Carolina Employment Security Commission has a cooperative agreement with the VA Employment Security Commission to assist in the testing and referral of applicants to the Newport News Shipyard.
 Individuals interested in obtaining employment with Newport News Shipyard no longer need to go to Virginia to apply for these jobs. Most openings with the Shipyard do require testing.
 The NC Employment Security Commission will administer the test free of charge and will then refer qualified applicants to the Shipyard.
 The Edenton and Elizabeth City offices anticipate testing large groups of applicants. Testing will be administered by appointment only. For further information or to make an appointment contact your local Employment Security Office.

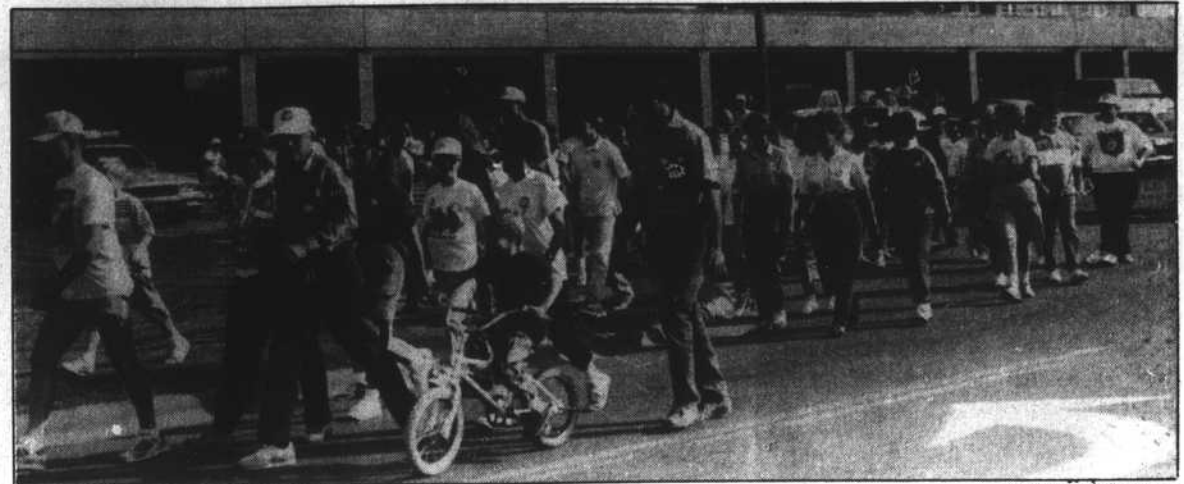
Post Office an Kiwanis offer new service to elderly
 The Postal Service, through QWL-EI and the Hertford Kiwanis Club has joined together and initiated a new program for our customers which we hope will be extremely helpful to our Senior Citizens or handicapped customers. This program involves the installation of a simple flag which pops up when a rural mail box has been opened. This will serve as indication that the mail man has been by and mail has been delivered to their box. It is our intention to save many steps for the elderly and prevent an accident that could happen going to check the box.
 The Kiwanis Club members have volunteered to install these devices at no cost to the boxowner. They are free for the asking. You may receive your flag by placing your name and address on a card or piece of paper and leaving it in your mailbox. Your request will be given to the members of the Kiwanis Club who will in turn install the device for you.
 We hope that you will be excited and appreciative of this program and respond to it. We want to help those who ask for help.

Don't forget the annual jollification on Nov. 10
 The fun-filled, fundraising feat and frolic which benefits the Newbold-White historic site - the jollification - is nearing. The event will be held in the Perquimans Center at the Newbold-White historic site on Nov. 10 from 6-9 p.m.
 Send your reservation to PO Box 103, Hertford, NC 27944. Tickets are \$12.50 each.

Second CROP Walk raises money for the hungry

By: Joe Southern
 Daily Advance staff reporter
 Over 125 participants, about half of last year's turnout, put their best foot forward in the second annual CROP Walk held Sunday.
 "Our goal is to raise \$6,500," coordinator Ted Henson said. "One-fourth of that will stay in the county and go to the Open Door, which is an agency that helps the needy." The rest of the funds raised will go to the Church World Service.
 The CROP Walk is a 10 kilometer, or six-mile, course which took participants around the town of Hertford and the surrounding countryside. The event began and ended at the Perquimans County High School.
 Though estimates are still rough, the walkers brought in pledges estimated at \$3,000, about half the goal, and half what was raised last year. Henson said last year's walk had 250 participants and \$6,000 was

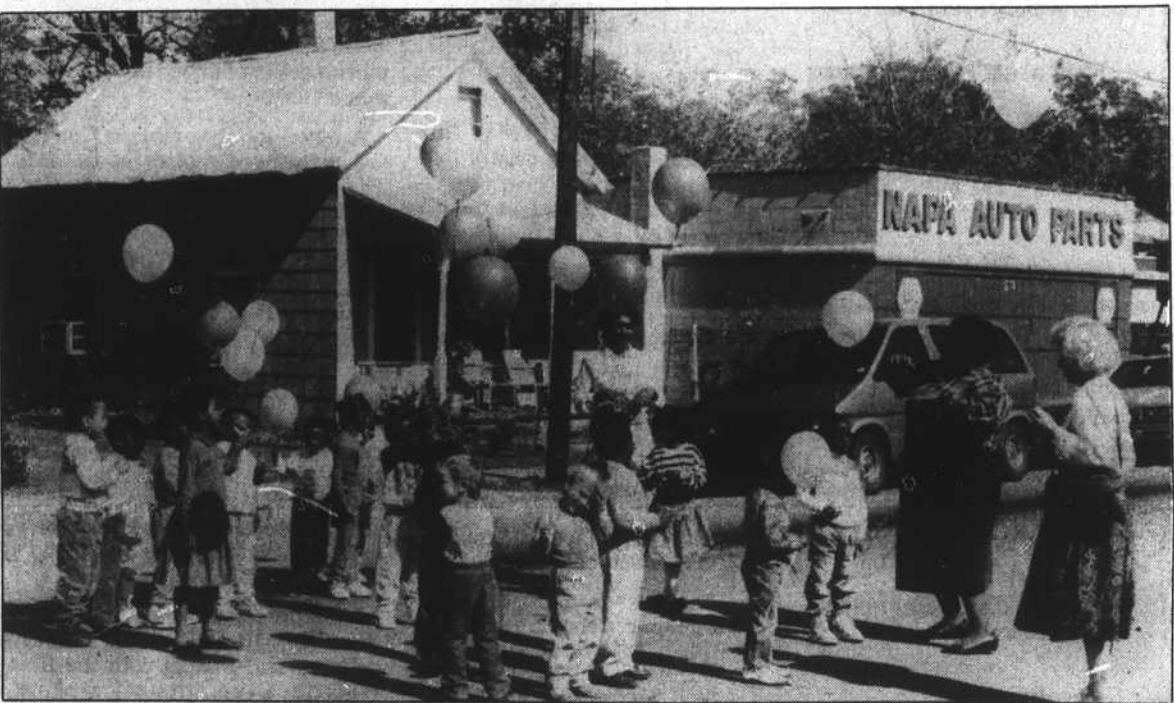
raised.
 Henson said he felt the reduction in numbers was due to a change in promotion from last year.
 "We went through the churches and tried to get the churches to respond, which they did," he said.
 Henson said he was not here for the walk last year, but said he thought it was promoted through the schools as well, which accounted for the higher involvement.
 "I think it will grow, I was pleased with the turnout," he said. Henson said he thought promotion should stay with the churches since it is a church-sponsored event.
 For those who did turn out to walk, and bike, the six-mile route the weather was fair, and rest stops were set up along the way. The Hertford Police Department and Perquimans County Sheriff's Department provided an escort for the walkers around town.



Participants in the second annual CROP Walk for hunger step out from the high school parking lot Sunday, beginning their six-mile trek for hunger. The group of over 125 walked on Edenton Road Street, turned on Dobbs Street, cut through Covent Garden, took a left onto Grubb, then walked out to the old 9-foot road. From there, the group turned left on Ballahack Road, another left onto U.S. Highway 17 business, then meandered through Brown Acres before returning to the high school.

Head Start celebrates 25th birthday with balloon launch

By: Joyce G. Felton
 Head Start Director
 The children in Perquimans Head Start joined millions of children around the United States to celebrate the 25th birthday of the Head Start Program. Twenty bright balloons soared through the air as they were released by the children, staff and Dr. Mary Jo Martin, School Superintendent.
 Head Start has been in Perquimans since 1970. The program has been located in three schools and is now located at the T.C. Sharpe Building on Dobbs Street.
 Hundreds of children and families have benefited from the Head Start experience. Many mothers have gone back to school to receive their GED, complete college or receive job training. Many have found jobs, better housing and have improved their quality of life. This is the true purpose of Head Start. Head Start advocates for the child and his family.
 Head Start is a federally funded program sponsored by the Administration of Children, Youth and Families in Washington, DC. Continued existence of the program is matched in dollars from the parents and community through the use of volunteer time and in-kind donations (which are tax deductible). We are a non-profit organization under the umbrella of the Economic Improvement Council. Head Start serves 270 children and families in eight counties.
 The philosophy of Head Start is to create an environment for the child which is conducive for learning (physically, mentally, emotionally and socially) and enhances his/her developmental growth.
 Parents play an active role in



Head Start Director Joyce Felton, Schools Superintendent Mary Jo Martin and the head start children celebrated the 25th anniversary of Head Start with a balloon last week.

many policy-making decisions and the total operation of the program. Parents help plan the activities for the month and are given notification of their child's progress. Yes! Home work is sent home to foster learning at home. Team effort between parents and staff is a must if the child is to receive the full benefits of the objectives-goals set forth by Head Start.
 Our children have received various screenings (dental, visual, speech-hearing and physicals). All of the children were tested by Developmental Evaluation Clinic in Elizabeth City for the purpose of determining their developmen-

tal growth.
 Hats off to six of our parents who have found jobs since their child has been enrolled: one mom works part time and is attending cosmetology school at Beaufort Tech; one mom is working on her GED at COA, and two mothers are students at Elizabeth City State University majoring in geology and special education.
 Head Start since 1970 has made a difference in Perquimans. Many of our children are honor students or average students, but most of all "they are winners"-they go on to graduate, thanks to you - the community, school officials, contributing organizations and agen-

cies and most of all, parents.
 Head Start has made a great impact in the lives of children ages 3-5 years and families for 19 years in Perquimans. Head Start is alive! It is willing to stand the test and meet the challenge: To help children ages 3-5 years from low income families grow in the true meaning and dignity of the American dream that we so often talk and sing about... "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness."
 The investment is great, the challenge is rewarding...and the outcome is...A productive and re-investing young adult into our society.

Shooters education program set

The Perquimans County Ducks Unlimited and the Perquimans County Jaycees will jointly sponsor a Greenwing and Daisy BB Shooters Education Program Saturday, Nov. 11 from 9:30 a.m. until 12 noon at Missing Mill Park.

Daisy BB Program will consist of Hunter Safety and marksmanship. The ages for this program will be 8 through 12. There will be a \$1 cover charge for this segment of the program.

Ducks Unlimited Greenwing Program is designed to inform and educate the young sportsmen on the conservation practices of Ducks Unlimited. This program is also used to educate the young sportsmen on identification of the various types of waterfowl. The Greenwing Program is open to individuals from birth to 17 years of age. There is a \$5 membership fee for this program.

Wildgame mounts will be on display, compliments of Russ Chappell and Hunter's Choice Taxidermy. Various types of ammunition and firearms will also be displayed. A film will be shown on the Greenwing Program. Assisting in the training will be representatives from Wildlife Resources Commission.

Parents should encourage their children to attend this educational program. The sponsor organizations encourage parents to attend with their children. Hot dogs and drinks will be provided. You may sign up through any Perquimans County Jaycee or member of the Perquimans County Ducks Unlimited Committee.

Low-income families may qualify for assistance

Energy grants available through local Social Services departments

Human Resources Secretary David T. Flaherty announced that as many as 166,000 low-income families in North Carolina may be eligible for special financial assistance through a federal energy assistance program.
 "The purpose of this program is to provide families with some relief from high energy costs during the winter," Flaherty explained. "Priority will be given to the elderly, disabled citizens and families with young children." Flaherty emphasized that the program provides a one-time payment to help persons pay heating bills.
 To be eligible for the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program, families must have incomes at or below 110 percent of the 1989 federal poverty level which is \$735 per month for a family of two, and \$1,109 for a family of four. In addition to these income limits, a household's financial assets cannot exceed a value of \$2,200.
 The size of payments families receive will depend upon the number of people in the household, their combined incomes, where they live, and the type of heating fuel they use. Last year, more than 160,000 families in the state received this federal assistance with payments averaging \$112.56 per

household. This year, North Carolina's expenditure for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program is expected to be about \$17.9 million.
 The N. C. Department of Human Resources' Division of Social Services has been designated as the state agency responsible for administration of the program with county social services departments determining eligibility. Only households with heating bills or with heating included in rent are eligible for this assistance. Families living in public housing and subject to heating charges may qualify for partial payments.
 Heads of eligible households should apply for this Low Income Energy Assistance Program on the local level at their county departments of social services. The departments began taking these applications October 16 and will accept them through November 22. A one-time payment will be made to eligible households in February.
 More information may be obtained on the Low Income Energy Assistance Program by contacting any county department of social services or by calling CARE-LINE, toll-free from anywhere in the state, at 1-800-662-7030.



Howdy! I'm Minnie Pearl
 Minnie Pearl entertained at the dedication of the new nutrition site at the Perquimans County Senior Center Monday. Also on hand were town and county officials, as well as many directors of programs for the elderly at Albemarle Commission. The new building has offered the nutrition program expansion opportunities, as well as adding needed space to the Senior Center.

